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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Preliminary to the examination of the above-referenced patent application, please amend the application as follows.

In the Claims

Please amend the claim1 and add claims 47-71 as follows.

1. A membrane translocation peptide carrier moiety comprising of formula;

RRMKWKK (SEQ ID NO: 2)

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wherein at least one amino acid residue is deleted from the amino terminus, or variants thereof.

47. A carrier moiety according to claim 1, wherein

(a) one or more amino acid residues are replaced by a naturally or non-naturally occurring amino acid residue;

(b) one or more amino acid residues are reversed;

(c) both (a) and (b) are present together;

(d) a spacer group is present between any two amino acid residues;

(e) one or more amino acid residues are in peptoid form;